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For:

BANK SYSTEM PROGRAM, CREDIT SERVICE PROGRAM AND IC CARD

## Enclosed are:

- $\boxtimes$  10 sheets of  $\square$  formal  $\square$  informal drawings.
- Request for Priority transmitting certified copy of Japanese patent application 2002-369174 to claim priority date of December 20, 2002
- An assignment of the invention to Hitachi., Ltd.
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